

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph 0003 as follows:

[0003] When a mask is worn, the user's mouth and nose may be covered. This can make it harder for the user to communicate orally with others nearby. Therefore, some masks include a communication system, such as a voice amplification system or a radio interface system. Some of these systems use microphones and amplifiers to help the user to be heard clearly outside the user's mask, either directly at the location or remotely ~~vi~~ via a radio frequency connection.

Please amend paragraphs 0015 and 0016 as follows:

[0015] FIG. 10 is a front elevational view of the microphone assembly of FIG. 1, showing the two microphones assembled to each other; ~~and~~

[0016] FIG. 11 is a view similar to FIG. 3 showing a microphone assembly in accordance with a second embodiment of the present invention ~~[[.]]~~ ;

Please add the following paragraphs after paragraph 0016:

FIG. 12 is a view similar to FIG. 3 showing a microphone assembly mounted on a mask; and,

FIG. 13 is a schematic front (outside) elevational view of a mask that includes a first microphone and a second microphone that are not physically joined but are instead mounted at spaced apart locations on the mask.